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Avery Dennison Supplier Award 2022 WACKER Recognized for Outstanding Reliability and Customer Service

Munich, May 30, 2022 – The label and packaging material manufacturer Avery Dennison has honored the Munich-based WACKER Group for its outstanding service. As part of the annual supplier evaluation, WACKER was recognized with this year’s Supplier Distinction Award for high reliability, excellent customer service and product quality. The chemical company, which supplies Avery Dennison with silicone-based release agents for release papers, had already been recognized for its excellent service in 2019.

At this year’s award ceremony, Avery Dennison honored a total of 24 service providers and raw material suppliers, including companies that helped prevent production downtime by continuing deliveries during winter storm Uri early last year in the USA. WACKER was also among the winners, convincing the judges with its outstanding service. Special emphasis was placed on the company’s excellent cooperation and reliability. “WACKER met all of the key metrics to qualify and was recognized for outstanding service and support that went above and beyond our expectations”, said Kamran Kian, Avery Dennison’s Vice President Global Operations Supply Chain Label and Graphic Materials.

Tom Johnson, Senior Director Global Procurement Chemicals & Adhesives, pointed out that as a global supplier of silicone chemicals used in Avery Dennison's formulations WACKER's reliability, business stability and innovation led to increased collaboration globally. "Even with surging costs and global logistical constraints, WACKER continued to provide our business with impeccable service, delivery and product quality, while supporting our volume growth throughout the year while others could not", he said.

Ian Moore, Vice President of Consumer Silicones at WACKER, emphasized the value of the award for his company and his team. "The last two years were challenging for our industry, which is why we are honored to receive this recognition for our service to support Avery's success in 2021." Moore added that Avery's Supplier Distinction Award is not only "a recognition for those who work with you every day, but also for the many hundreds of WACKER employees around the world and our partners who made this possible."

DEHESIVE®

WACKER has been developing and manufacturing silicone-based coating systems for the paper and film industry under the DEHESIVE® brand for almost 40 years. DEHESIVE® silicones are organosilicon compounds that have been specially developed for the production of silicone release papers and release films. Their chemical structure ensures superior release properties along with excellent flow and rapid curing during processing. DEHESIVE® silicones are generally processed as three-component products consisting of a polymer, crosslinker and catalyst. In addition, CRA®

controlled-release additives are used to set a wide range of release-force levels. WACKER has also marketed biomethanol-based release coatings since 2020. DEHESIVE® eco silicone release agents are made using methanol derived from renewable raw materials rather than from fossil materials, thereby conserving resources during the manufacturing process.

WACKER SILICONES

WACKER SILICONES is one of the largest silicone manufacturers worldwide with over 2,800 highly specialized and innovative products. The division's portfolio ranges from silicone fluids, emulsions, resins, elastomers and sealants to silanes, silane-terminated polymers and pyrogenic silica. These stand out due to their significant value-adding potential – enhancing both the benefits and performance of customers' end products. WACKER SILICONES' products find application in such sectors as automotive engineering, construction, chemicals, cosmetics, medical technology, energy and electronics, and paper and textiles.

Avery Dennison

Avery Dennison Corporation (NYSE: AVY, www.averydennison.com) is a global materials science company specializing in the design and manufacture of a wide variety of labeling and functional materials. The company's products, which are used in nearly every major industry, include pressure-sensitive materials for labels and graphic applications, tapes and other bonding solutions for industrial, medical, and retail applications, including radio frequency identification

(RFID)-based solutions. The company employs approximately 36,000 employees in more than 50 countries. Reported sales in 2021 were 8.4 billion US\$.



Honored to receive this year's Avery Dennison Supplier Distinction Award (left to right): Michael Sommer (Senior Technical Manager for Release Coatings), Ian Moore (Vice President Consumer Silicones), Pascal Braker (Key Account Manager) and Dr. Hans Lautenschlager (Segment Manager for Textiles & Dehesives). (photo: WACKER)



After 2019, WACKER, a Munich-based chemical company, has once again been honored with Avery Dennison's Supplier Distinction Award for outstanding service. (photo: WACKER)

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The Company in Brief:

WACKER is a global chemical company with some 14,400 employees and annual sales of around €6.21 billion (2021). WACKER has a global network of 26 production sites, 23 technical competence centers and 52 sales offices.

WACKER SILICONES

Silicone fluids, emulsions, rubber grades and resins; silanes; pyrogenic silicas; thermoplastic silicone elastomers

WACKER POLYMERS

Polyvinyl acetates and vinyl acetate copolymers and terpolymers in the form of dispersible polymer powders, dispersions, solid resins and solutions

WACKER BIOSOLUTIONS

Biotech products such as cyclodextrins, cysteine and biologics, as well as fine chemicals and PVAc solid resins

WACKER POLYSILICON

Polysilicon for the semiconductor and photovoltaic industries